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July, 2nd 1893.

My dear daughter,

It seems to be quite a long time since I last wrote to you, and thinking perhaps you would like to receive one from me as well as Archie. I therefore write. I have insisted upon his writing or I presume he would not write. He went away this morning and did not intend returning until eve but some came back with your postal announcing the sending of the Express Package, and he will go after it at five o'clock and hopes to find the office open then. I presume it contains many useful things as usual must I lay them away for you or send I use them if necessary? We are all well as usual at present, but sickness with me is very common. Archie was the last to leave his bed, some two weeks ago. He had rather cold so Mr. H. said and it had thrown



him into a ~~loss~~, but it was not that alone
but he had been out of employment for some
time and his money was nearly all gone and
the rent was due, and our grocery bill unpaid
and he was in a bad way. So on Monday morning he
started out again to hunt for employment with
only thirty cents in the world, and was fortunate
in securing a position in a Wholesale Grocery
House, where wages are small and the work
hard. But it is the best he can do for the present
State of his affairs in paying the rent last week
and tomorrow he wants to go to Salem but does
not intend staying longer than the 3rd. He wants
to visit the Richards family, particularly, and
one fare for the round trip. I hope he can go
and enjoy it. He is not well and strong and I
try to encourage him to persevere at the work he
is at for he is not accustomed to hard work
but will get accustomed to it after while and
then his hands will not blister and he will
be promoted and receive better wages but by
if he is only faithful. I wish I were sent
for to come over to L. C. with all expenses
paid last week, and one week of on Tuesday
all excepting Ann & Baby's ^{of Papa} rent on an



on the side of the house the
Porches are on. and I have
sit Geraniums growing nicely
one is in bloom they are in
Pots, and I have a Begonia
which is alway blooming. and
Archie has a beautiful
Fuchsia (which was giving
him) which is loaded with
flowers. and I have a few
sweet Peas growing. We get
milk of Mr Rittenhams
and they frequently have
given us Bouquets of Roses
Jemima went to the woods
for a basket of earth and
we gathered wild strawberries
and wild roses + daisies
+ Elder flowers - and the next
day we went to the asylum
found that John Ward had
gone home the week before

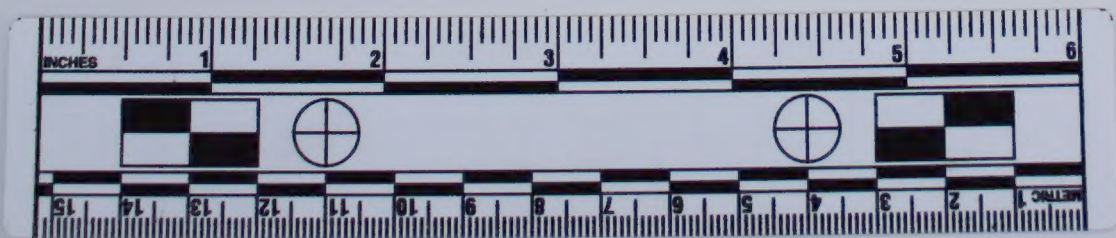


You did not tell us
where to address you
but I will address you
at Evans and perhaps
it will reach you
I am glad you have so
pleasant a home to go
to. Hope you will soon
find a situation.

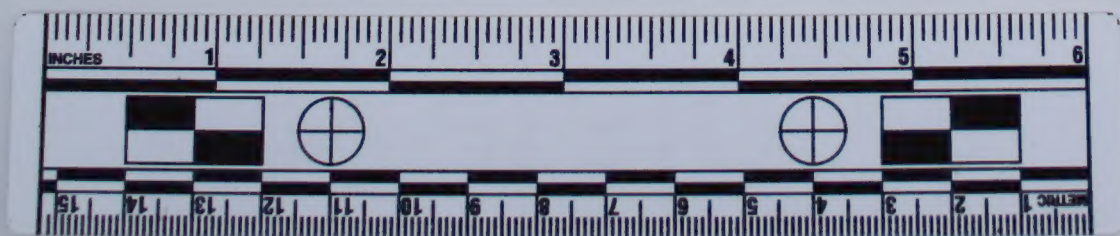
Grand-son Swartz came to
L. C. just before I left he
came to C - to attend a
convention & to visit his
son ~~Clarence~~ but Clarence
had left for Utah the day
before. L. C. I believe did
not lose much by the fire
and has started an bureau
again. With a heavy wind
I have the Botes of Chrysothamn
and Lilly & Fern growing
nicely under the dividends



3rd -
excursion to "Cottage Grove Lake" 1/2 miles beyond
Sharon. it was a Presbyterian Sunday School
Picnic. we had a pleasant time and returned
very weary there were about 300. hundred of us -
Uncle John insisted on me to let Jennie stay there
during vacation and I told her she might try
it. she came home on Thursday after more clothes
and medicine, and returned immediately. They
are arranging to go out on the Lake on an
M. E. S. S. excursion on the 4th, and I have fears
of an accident. I took Jennie to Dr. H. week before
last for an examination, and he finds no
improvement since the last examination, and
he is treating her for her cough. he is so very
kind and I am ashamed to think we pay
him so little. I wished last night when I called
that I could give him if not more than a dollar
- or. I want to see him in Father's behalf more than
myself last year. I will tell you all about it
but don't you worry now. May we write



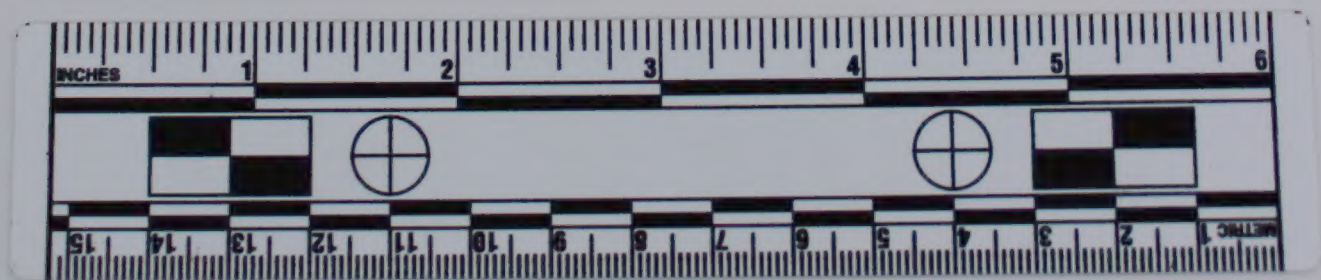
about it when you write, and I will keep
you posted as to results. Kate is fat and legs
particularly her ankles swell so that it is
almost impossible for her to wear her shoes
and they are very tender on pressure, & I
don't know but what she swells all over
at times. This I know has been her condition
for some time a week and I don't
know how much longer as she don't
tell me any thing unless she can't help it
and is at her wits end. So I wanted her to go
to see Hanson, but she would not and so
I went and told him all I knew about her
and he says she thinks it is caused by her
kidneys and would not attempt her case
without first analyzing her urine and
I am going to try to get a sample of it
for him this week, but she must not
know of it. I fear it is dropsy but hope
it is not. I am to help her, she makes fun
of Dr. H's treatment, but when she gets down in
bed she appreciates him & not until then I
told her I never would send her home again
by her, until she could pay him something.
She is still employed in the Ohio Times office
but does not know how long she may stay
as she is only filling a vacancy.



Well I have written
you a long letter &
did hope to have finish
ed on the last sheet -
but have failed
Jimmie has not forgotten than
k for his suffe & do
you intend sending
it. and any time you
would like to come
home we will be glad
to see you and
when we move I
want to know



over near uncle L C
I called on Tom & his wife
and Estella. They seem
very happy together.
Tom & Wife & Isaac
Luskman & Wife called
on us some weeks
ago. I must
close and write
Abe & Mary let us hear
from you as often as
possible
Your Loving
Mother
I have written or will write
any thing I want about
you



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Dear Sister Edith:-

I just received your postal an hour or so ago & I went right down to the express office but being Sunday the expressman wasn't there. So I will go down at 5 o'clock this evening again for there is a train, pulls in about that time and stops & the expressman will be there I think. There is no doubt but the package which you sent is there for I could see through the window a large package of some kind, for, somebody, & I will bet you a quarter it is for me from yourself. What will you bet?? As for sending me anything you needn't mind for I know your word is good besides I am working now & can get along very well now. I commenced work last Tuesday



morning at A. J. Wideman's Lard whole-
sale grocery & provision store. At \$17.³⁰
pr. wk. which is better than nothing.

The boys for the new engine
houses or the fire department is to be
for sale on the 7th of this month &
soon as they are sold they will make
their appointments which I expect
will be sometime this month or
next. I stood 88th line and magnification
so you see I will stand a fair
show out of 142 appointments. And
then I can step out of my present
pos. into a better one. Just think,
from \$30.00 a Mon. to \$50.00 & from that
to \$70.00 or \$73.00 for Mon. worth that be
great? Tomorrow afternoon I expect to
go to Salem for the 4th and return in
the evening of the same ^[4th] day. That be
magnolious. Just think I fear
this fall since I have been in the
country well I must close for Ma
wants to write some to hering this will
find you well and wishing you a happy 4th & close
write soon or never. Your Loving Brother A.W.H.

